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Letter from E.H. Taylor to James B. Finley

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Dear Richmond Jan 22th 1836

Dear Brother Finley

We have heard of you by the hearing of the ear and have
read some of your glowing communications. Published in the
Abstract and Journal we read with much interest especially
as they were the production of an old and intimate friend
but your face we have not seen for many years

Oh how many millions have since fled from their mortal
shells and in both the Ministry and Membership of our
Branch of the Church and among many of our acquaintance
My very Dear Mother left the mortal in full prospect
of a glorious immortality 19th February 1834 fifty one
years a member of the Methodist E. Church her life and
conversacion was holy in the language of our Apostle her
exit was unto peace and the end Everlasting life

In the Pittsburgh Conference we have held our home since its
organizational organization and we still live and blessed be God
we live to enjoy the grace of God the light of heaven and
a prospect of immortality
we have been climbing the hills descending the valleys
and have seen our Zion low and clothed in garments of
mourning and at other times we have seen her appear
fair as the Moon clear as the Sun and in strength and might
terrible as an army with banners

Since our last interview glory to God we have witnessed
the happy conversion of hundreds of Redeemed souls
and I am well assured that this is the great business
of every Minister of Jesus Christ to win souls to Christ
and to be successful in this glorious enterprise

Must not only be intelligent but they must be Holy
ye this must be their motto they must preach by
a chaste conversation and a sanctified life as well as
when they ascend the consecrated place —

I am this year traveling what was called Cross Creek
Circuit near Richmond we have no special service
some have found Pardon since the commencement of
this conference year and some among believers are going
growing in grace and the knowledge of Christ.

Mrs Taylor often speaks of you her health at this
time is moderately good and we have a fine family
six children four sons and two daughters

I still feel very partial to the Ohio Conference and think
of returning if you would grant me the privilege
that is if your conference would agree that I may be
transferred Bro young has invited me to return sometime
since however and I should move my family into
that region I feel my self now liberated there and
I should prefer to go to the Ohio Conference and as
you are intimately acquainted in the Miami Country
if I should go I would be glad to get a home if possible

for my family some where in the Miami Country
where it would be likely to be healthy and I
should be glad if you would let me know by
letter whether you think I could there will be room
for me there and if I could get a comfortable home
for my family in the above named Country for twelve
or fourteen hundred Dollars Mrs Taylor joins in most
sincere affection to you and Mrs Finley
Rev. J. B. Finley C. W. Taylor

My old Friend Mr Finley I have never been pleased with
this Conference either with preachers or people so well as with
the Ohio that is I love them in a less degree..and as I think
you and Jacob Young are our special friends I wish you to
deal plainly with us and tell us what you think the
decision of Conference would be in relation to admitting
Mr Taylor there if you should think it at all likely
he will be to in that country probably in the ensuing
Summer we begin to feel that we want a home and
if you see any that you think would please us you
will oblige us by letting us know. your old Friend
L Taylor

Pls write without fail on the Receipt of this Letter
Direct to Richmond Jefferson County Ohio E.W.T.

Edward Taylor
& wife
1835

Wm. W. Young
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Rev. James A. Finley
Chillicothe
Ohio

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